

Dear FCC Chairman Powell,

What are you doing? If you want a free for all so-called "free" market approach then just fire yourselves. Along with the Patriot Act, the Office for Strategic Influence, the "Lifelog" project over at the Pentagon, and giving over control of our national agora to the rich (to Clear Channel, Fox, etc,) you guys (the Republicans) are destroying our republic. Is your own personal profit and career ambition that important to you? Have you ever studied what a democracy is? From the Florida election mess to all these unelected, in fact mostly losing candidate/appointees, your party is a disaster for the freedoms so many have fought and died for. Why aren't you listening to the people? We pay your salaries, not Murdoch or GOP headquarters. Of course I know they are behind you and that you will be received with grand rewards when you leave public office, but can't you at least try to be more democratic? At the moment we vanguarded the other "super--power" (with the help of Chyernobyl, the Pope, Gorbachev, economic melt--down in Russia, and lastly years of presidential rhetoric from Truman to Reagan) now we are imploding. Why? You guys are hurting us (our institutions of civil discourse) more than any foreign enemy ever has or likely could. Have you read Jefferson on the inevitable contradiction between the power of ungoverned capital accumulation and democracy?

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